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For the Year

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ANNUAL REPORT

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Health Office
Oxford Street
Bridlington.

August 1966

To the Chairman and Councillors,
Urban District of Filey.

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report for 1965.

The Registrar General's figures for the year indicate a mid year population of 4,830, an increase of 250 compared with last year.

During the year there were 63 births and 49 deaths, compared with 56 births and 81 deaths last year. The adjusted birth rate for the District of 16.04 compares with the national birth rate of 18.0 per thousand population and an adjusted death rate of 8.21 compares with a national death rate of 11.5 per thousand population. There were no deaths of children under one year of age.

On infectious diseases an outbreak of measles occurred during May, June and July - 124 cases being notified. All but one were children under fifteen years of age.

The Town's water supply continued as in previous years and twelve samples submitted for bacteriological examination all proved satisfactory. On sewage disposal, schemes are still required for a few properties in the District, but attention was given during the year to the conversion of the four pail closets remaining in the Town.

142 new dwellings were completed during the year by private enterprise and two by the Council. Much private development has taken place during the last three years - a total of 364 houses being built and this, no doubt, is the principal factor in the increase in the Town's population.

In presenting this report may I express my thanks to the staff of the Department for their work and help during the year, and also to the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their constant interest and support.

I am,
Yours faithfully,

J.H. MAUGHAN

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area in acres	2,106
Population 1965 Registrar General	4,830
Rateable Value	£272,755
Sum represented by a penny rate	£1223.75
Estimated number of inhabited houses	2,101

VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births	
Number	63
Crude Birth rate	13.04
Adjusted Birth rate: Comparability factor R.G. 1,23	16.04
Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births	1.58
Still Births	
Number	1
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	15.63
Total live and still births	64
Infant deaths (deaths under one year)	-
Infant Mortality Rates	
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	-
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	-
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births	-
Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births)	-
Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births)	-
Perinatal Mortality Rate (still births and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still births)	15.63
Maternal Mortality (including abortion)	
Number of deaths	-
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	-
Deaths	
Number	49
Crude death rate	10.14
Adjusted death rate : Comparability factor R.G. 0.81	8.21
Deaths from Pulmonary Tuberculosis	-
Rate per 1,000 population	-
Deaths from other forms of Tuberculosis	-
Rate per 1,000 population	-
Deaths from Respiratory Disease	3
Rate per 1,000 population	0.62
Deaths from Heart Disease	18
Rate per 1,000 population	3.73
Deaths from Cancer	6
Rate per 1,000 population	1.24

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Provisional Statistics - England and Wales

Births

Live Births .....18.0 per 1,000 population

Still Births .....15.7 per 1,000 total live and still births

Deaths

Death rate ..... 11.5 per 1,000 home population

Infant mortality ..... 19.0 per 1,000 live births

Year	No. of Births	No. of Deaths	Population
1950	61	77	4,720
1951	58	84	4,697
1952	56	57	4,540
1953	57	60	4,713
1954	57	61	4,790
1955	59	54	4,820
1956	50	71	4,840
1957	46	67	4,790
1958	64	61	4,780
1959	52	59	4,780
1960	57	67	4,800
1961	62	69	4,450
1962	53	69	4,490
1963	78	70	4,490
1964	56	81	4,580
1965	63	49	4,830

Causes of Death in Filey U.D. 1965 (R.G.)

	Males	Females
All causes	28	21
Cancer Stomach	2	1
Cancer, Lung, Bronchus	-	1
Cancer, Breast	-	1
Cancer, other sites	1	-
Diabetes	2	-
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	5	5
Coronary Disease, Angina	9	5
Other Heart Disease	2	2
Other Circulatory Disease	1	1
Pneumonia	2	-
Bronchitis	1	-
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	-	1
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	-	1
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	2	3
All other accidents	1	-

Infantile Deaths

Cause of Death	Under 1 week	1 to 2 weeks	2 to 3 weeks	3 to 4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1 to 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 9 months	9 to 12 months	Total deaths under 1 year
NIL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Infectious Diseases notified during 1965

Notifiable Diseases	Under 1 year	1 - 4 years	5 - 14 years	15 - 24 years	25 - 44 years	45 - 64 years	Over 65 years	Age unknown	Total deaths
Measles	3	65	55	-	-	-	-	1	-
Pneumonia.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED 1955 - 1965

	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
Dysentary	-	-	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis (Post-infectious).....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	149	16	141	11	16	8	181	42	44	4	124
Meningococcal Infection.....	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fevers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	6	4	6	18	5	4	9	3	2	-	1
Poliomyelitis (Paralytic)	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis (Non-Paralytic).....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-,
Scarlet Fever	-	1	1	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	2	37	10	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-

Tuberculosis

The register of Tuberculosis for the year is as follows:

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
Number of cases on the Register at 31st December, 1964	20	14	3	3	40
Added to the Register:-					
(a) cases notified for the first time during the year	-	-	-	-	-
(b) un-notified cases brought to notice otherwise than by formal notifications	-	-	-	-	-
Removed from the Register on account of death, change of address etc.....	-	-	-	-	-
Number of cases on the Register at 31st December, 1965	20	14	3	3	40

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

HOSPITAL SERVICES

There are no hospitals in Filey. Hospital facilities are available at Scarborough and Bridlington.

Miniature Mass Radiography

The Miniature Mass Radiography Unit of the Leeds Regional Hospital Board visited Filey in March and held public sessions. A total of 435 persons were examined.

NURSING HOMES

There are no private Nursing Homes in the District.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

Part III Accommodation

Accommodation is provided by the County Council at Burlington House, Bridlington, Danes Lea, Bridlington, "The Limes", Driffield and the Wold House, Driffield.

Section 47

It was not necessary to take proceedings under this section during the year.

LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY SERVICES - NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946.

The following services are provided in the District by the East Riding County Council as the Local Health Authority:

Infant Welfare Clinic

An Infant Welfare Clinic is held in the Conference Hall on alternate Tuesdays from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Domiciliary Midwifery Service

This service is run in conjunction with the Home Nursing Service. There is one District Nurse/Midwife residing and working in the District.

Health Visiting

One Health Visitor works in the Filey area, her office being situated in the Conference Hall (telephone number 2282).

Home Nursing Service

This service is run in conjunction with the Midwifery Service as indicated above.

Ambulance Service

The County Council's Ambulance Station is situated on Padbury Avenue, Filey (telephone Filey 2043).

Domestic Help

Home Help service which is rendered in the District is administered at County Hall, Beverley, and all applications for the service are dealt with by the Home Help Organiser (telephone number OHU2881281).

LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY - SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE

Routine medical inspections are carried out of all children attending Local Education Authority schools in the district. Head inspections of children in the primary schools is undertaken by the school nurse at the beginning of each term.

Immunisation against diptheria, tetanus and poliomyelitis and B.C.G. Vaccination is made available to children in school.

OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITY SERVICES

Buckrose Health Division Co-ordinating Committee

Once every two or three months a co-ordinating Committee, under the aegis of the County Council, meets in Bridlington to co-ordinate the work of officers in the district who are concerned with the welfare of children. The Primary objects of the Committee are the prevention of cruelty to children in their own homes and the prevention of break-up of families.

On the Committee are representatives of the County Children's Department, the County Health Department, the School Welfare Department, the County Welfare Department, the Housing Managers of the District Councils, the National Assistance Board, the National Society for the prevention of Cruelty to Children, the Women's Voluntary Service, Probation Officers, and a Marriage Guidance Counsellor. Representatives of other organisations are co-opted from time to time as the need arises. Your Medical Officer of Health in his capacity as Divisional Medical Officer takes the Chair of the Committee.

PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY

Specimens for bacteriological examination are sent to the Public Health Laboratory of the Medical Research Council at Hull.

VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

Women's Voluntary Service

The W.V.S. undertakes the sale of welfare foods for infants at the Conference Hall each Friday 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. and also at each infant welfare clinic.

They also administer a Meals on Wheels service, a Chiropody service, a Darby and Joan Club and at 19 Queen Street an Old Persons Centre.

NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN

Filey lies within the North East Yorkshire Branch of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and cases requiring the services of the Society are visited by Inspector White working from Scarborough. Inspector White's work is much appreciated by those of us in Filey concerned with child welfare.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

GENERAL

There has been considerable building activity during the year, and 142 new dwellings have been completed principally on the Grange Farm estate where there is now a total of 294 bungalows, and also on the estate adjoining Scarborough Road where 45 house and bungalow dwellings were completed.

In addition to the above mentioned properties which were built by private enterprise, two new Council Old Persons bungalows were occupied during the year and two more are nearing completion.

Two tenants still remain in the area encompassed within the Providence Place Re-Development Scheme and it is hoped that a start can be made in the forseeable future on this Scheme which will be a great help in solving the housing problem.

The additional properties have added to the work of the Refuse Collecting teams and a certain amount of re-organisation has been necessary. The amount and bulk of refuse per household continues to rise and the full effect of this coupled with the shorter working week will be felt in the summer when the population is greatly increased and the holiday and caravan camps are open.

There has been little respite to the quota of new legislation during the year, and reports submitted under the Railway, Offices and Shops Act will no doubt result in set standards being applied by the responsible Ministry. This particularly refers to lighting standards.

FOOD HYGIENE AND SUPERVISION OF PREMISES

There are 131 food premises in the district, including catering establishments, boarding houses, retail shops, licensed premises, bakehouses and stores. Conditions were generally satisfactory and in the odd cases where conditions were not up to standard, informal action was sufficient to bring about an improvement.

PRESERVED FOOD - REGISTERED PREMISES

8 premises are registered in the district, 8 inspections were made and the standard was found to be satisfactory.

THE ICE CREAM (HEAT TREATMENT ETC) REGULATIONS.

43 premises are registered under the Food and Drugs Act, for the sale of Ice Cream. At the majority pre-packed Ice Cream is sold from freezing cabinets but there is a gradual increase in the use of "Soft" Ice Cream machines. One Establishment manufactures its own Ice Cream using heat treatment in accordance with the regulations. Regular visits have to be paid to the premises employing seasonal staff particularly where Soft Ice Cream is being sold. Fifteen samples of Ice Cream were submitted to the Public Analyst with the following results.

Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
8	4	1	2

MILK SUPPLIES

The Registration of Milk Dealers and Producers is now carried out by the County Authorities and we are informed of any additions to, or deletions from the list. There is one Dairy within the district and 11 inspections were made which revealed a high standard of cleanliness and efficiency. Nine samples of Milk were submitted to the Public Analyst and all proved to be satisfactory.

UNSOUND FOOD - FOOD AND DRUGS ACT 1965

The following is a summary of the unsound food, excluding meat from the Slaughterhouses, surrendered and disposed of by the Local Authority.

Food	Weight	
	cwt	lbs
Cooked Meat & Meat Products		6
Canned Meats	2	62
Fish		80½
Fruit & Vegetables	1	
Other Foods		4
Total	4	40½

There were two complaints of foreign bodies being present in food, one of which was confirmed.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES

There are two licensed slaughterhouses in the district serving the needs of two local butchers. One is limited to the slaughter of sheep and pigs only. Both premises have been conducted in a satisfactory manner throughout the year and comply with the Slaughterhouses Act 1958.

MEAT INSPECTION

All meat slaughtered at the slaughterhouses has been inspected and all carcases stamped in accordance with the Meat Inspection Regulations 1963. The quality of the animals slaughtered has been consistently good.

The rest of the meat sold within the district is principally slaughtered at either Driffield or the Public Abbatoir at Seamer.

Carcases and Offal inspected & condemned in whole or in part

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	60	Nil	Nil	687	4
Number not inspected	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
All diseases except Tuberculosis & Cysticerci					
Whole carcases condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	8	Nil	Nil	17	Nil
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	13.33	Nil	Nil	2.46	Nil
Tuberculosis only					
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticerosis					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generalized and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

Meat at Slaughterhouses surrendered or condemned 1 cwt 25½ lbs

WATER SUPPLY

The Urban supply now forms part of the East Yorks (Wold Area) Water Board. The water which was satisfactory both as regards quantity and quality is obtained from boreholes in Filey. Twelve Bacteriological samples were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory and all conformed to Class I Ministry of Health Classification.

The following is a chemical Analysis of the water:-

Raw Water Ex Borehole

p^H Value	7.5
	Parts per Million
Free Carbon Dioxide	8.5
Free Amnonia as N	0.280
Albumenoid Amnonia as N	0.005
Nitrogen as Nitrates as N	Nil
Nitrogen as Nitrites	Nil
Chlorides as CL	47.0
Alkalinity as $CaCO_3$	260.0
Permanganate figure (N/80 4 hours)	0.252
Total Solids	388.0
Calcium as Ca	57.0
Magnesium as Mg	19.0
Sodium as Na	68.0
Carbonates as CO_3	156.0
Sulphates as SO_4	48.0
Nitrates as NO_3	Nil
Total Hardness (pts.$CACO_3$ per 100,000)	22.0

Treated Sample :-

Free Carbon Dioxide	8.0

SWIMMING POOLS

The swimming pools at Butlins Camp and Primrose Valley received periodic visits during which the changing accommodation and filtration plants were inspected. Samples of water were submitted to the Public Analyst for bacteriological examination.

CAMPING SITES

The three licensed camping sites together with the Caravan Club site have been operated in a satisfactory manner throughout the year.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT 1949

Number of Visits by Rodent Operator	285
" " premises baited	109

Test baits were laid in several sewer manholes, but so successful was the full scale treatment carried out last year, that it has not been necessary to treat the sewers this year. The Refuse Tip and other possible breeding places have been regularly inspected and baited.

HOUSING

Four familes were re-housed out of the Providence Place and Queen Street area, out of property which has been acquired by the Council.

These houses will not be re-let as dwelling houses and will eventually be demolished.

HOUSING STATISTICS

(A)	(1) Total number of houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health & Housing Acts)	34
	Number of inspections and re-visits	78
(B)	Remedy of defects without service of formal notice:- Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers.	14
(C)	Action under Statutory powers during the year (Proceedings under Housing Acts, 1936 & 1937)	
	(1) Number of dwellings in respect of which Notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	Nil
	(2) Number of houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	
	(a) by Owners	Nil
	(b) by Local Authority	Nil
(D)	(1) Number of houses subject to Closing Orders	Nil
	(2) " " " closed by owners	4
	(3) " " " demolished by owners	Nil
	(4) " " families rehoused	4
	(5) " " persons involved in (4) above	8

FACTORIES ACT 1961

1. Inspections for purposes of provision as to Health:-

	Premises	No. on Register	No. of Inspections	No. of written notices
(a)	Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority	6	6	nil
(b)	Factories not included in (a) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	26	16	nil
(c)	Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	5	5	nil
	TOTAL	37	27	nil

Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referred by H.M. Inspector
Sanitary Conveniences (Sec.7) (b) Unsuitable or defective	Nil	Nil	Nil

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

(A) Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of Premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection.
Offices	13	72	13
Retail Shops	23	81	26
Wholesale shops, Warehouses	2	6	2
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens		10	7
Fuel Storage depots	1	1	
Totals	39	130	48

TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITS OF ALL KINDS BY INSPECTORS TO REGISTERED PREMISES UNDER THE ACT 145

(B) ANALYSIS OF CONTRAVENTIONS

Section	Number of Contraventions found		Section	Number of Contraventions found	
4	Cleanliness	Nil	13	Sitting facilities	Nil
5	Overcrowding	Nil	14	Seats(Sedentary Workers)	Nil
6	Temperature	2	15	Eating Facilities	Nil
7	Ventilation	1	16	Floors, passage & stairs	1
8	Lighting	54	17	Fencing exposed parts machinery	Nil
9	Sanitary Conveniences	Nil	18	Protection of young persons working at dangerous machinery	Nil
10	Washing Facilities	Nil	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	Nil
11	Supply of Drinking Water	Nil	23	Prohibition of heavy work	Nil
12	Clothing Accommodation	Nil	24	First Aid General Provisions	5
				TOTAL	63

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Throughout the main part of the year two side loading freighters and six men are employed on the collection of both household and trade refuse, but during the summer period an additional freighter with two men augments the regular team and is employed mainly on holiday camp collection, but also assists in collecting the town refuse. Very few complaints have been received in connection with this service, and in comparison with many towns and districts who have no seasonal increase in refuse, but experience great difficulty in recruiting labour, we can count ourselves fortunate.

One man and an excavator are employed almost full time at the tip, where controlled tipping is the method of refuse disposal. The tip has been well controlled in spite of the fact that the changing character of the refuse makes it increasingly difficult to obtain sufficient covering material. Periodic dusting with insecticide has reduced any nuisance from flies and other insects.

VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Houses - Public Health and Housing Acts	78
Local Authority properties	371
Complaints received and investigated	90
Slaughterhouses	212
Dairies	12
Grocers, Fruiterers etc	18
Butchers shops	32
Holiday & Caravan Camps	115
School Canteens	2
Bakehouses	8
Cafe & Hotels	27
Fish shops	8
Ice Cream premises	15
Cinemas	2
Snackbars	6
Public Conveniences	47
Seasonal Stalls	30
Shops	52
Drains inspected & tested	182
Blocked drains cleared	58
Drainage systems amended or renewed	11
Wasps nests destroyed	28
Notices served - informal	14
= formal	Nil
Notices outstanding end of 1964	Nil
" complied with - informal	7
" " " - formal	Nil